

# Random Notes

The issuing of the 1951 Calendar reveals that the City of Delia now has a population of 125 persons. This is an increase of 500, over the last year's figure. Whether or not these figures are confined to the city proper or include outlying communities, such as Sorensen and Montgomery was not mentioned.

Meanwhile, the lack of moderately priced rental housing for working people is proving the most headache to authorities at the City Hall, and Mayor Mackay is presently engaged in trying to get the provincial government interested in a loan which would provide funds for his scheme of 124 low rental housing units.

To judge by the advertising columns of the city's two daily journals, it might be thought that the surplus rather than a shortage of housing accommodation at the present time. Anything from 12 to 15 full column advertisements for rental rentals seems to be an everyday occurrence; yet it is claimed there is a housing shortage.

Of course it's only to be that the establishment of new large blocks of offices—there are two on the east side of St. Vincent—West means an influx of workers who need accommodation; but buying a house at prices ranging from fifteen to twenty dollars, and on down to five thousand dollars, is beyond their reach, even if the real estate firm is willing to accept a down payment with a mortgage at seven per cent—which is the reason probably impelling Mayor Mackay to his efforts to obtain assistance.

Moreover, the present international tension has given Calgary officials something more to think about. Civil defence measures are in process of being formulated, mainly, it is gathered, from experience gained in Britain during the early forties.

One such scheme is of interest to the rural population, since it concerns the evacuation of city people. It is understood that a survey is to be made of the city's resources to ascertain the possibilities of accommodating such refugees.

Reliable information to the effect that small town village officials are to be consulted in the preparation of all such details, but that in the event of Uncle Sam's coming something like that Alberta cities, no time will be lost in makeshift arrangements. It remains to be seen whether all this planning stops at the wordy stage. In the House of Commons last week, a member declared that there was more talk than action in the present civil defence net.

Early in 1948, some old letters written by Major-General W. T. Sherman to a friend during the U.S. Civil War were discovered among the contents of an attic of a very old house.

As an item of interest, the letters were published in the February 28, 1948 issue of the Saturday Review of Literature. In view of what is transpiring in the present State of Georgia, the following extract is of special significance:

"August 29, 1864.  
"I think Bull made a fatal mistake. Soldiers have no business questioning the Laws or the Government. They have large enough powers, and have plenty to do if we mind our own business."  
Bull is a fellow general officer, and Sherman the planner of the famous flank march through Georgia to the sea.

# Ross Sorochan Fund

Previously acknowledged... \$91.00  
Mr. A. M. Bell, Saskatoon... 2.00  
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J. J. McMurphy... 2.00  
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# Good Work By Local Fire Fighters

Delia's fire alarm bell rang out on Friday afternoon when a car, Delia, No. 47, was held in the municipal park, outside the Co-operative Store, was observed to be on fire. Within five minutes from the first sound of the bell, members of the fire brigade were on the spot with one engine. However, most extinguishers in the hands of some of the men quickly disposed of any danger, which could have been considerable, as there were other cars parked outside the store.

Cause of the blaze was attributed to a leaky vacuum tank and a hot exhaust pipe, according to Fire Chief Kwak Kempf.

# Minutes M.D. Council of Starland, No. 47

The regular meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Starland, No. 47, was held in the municipal office, Morris, on Tuesday, May 8th, 1951, at 10:00 a.m. Members present: Mayor, Mr. McLean, Mr. Devere, Rona, Councilman, Montgomery, Nelson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, on motion of Councilman, Stevenson.

The report of H. F. Irwin, Field Supervisor, for the past month, was read and accepted on motion of Councilman, Stevenson.

Mr. H. F. Irwin, who has been recently appointed to the staff of the School of Agriculture at Fairview, Alberta, presented his resignation as Field Supervisor and Weed Inspector, to take effect July 1st; and it was moved by Councilman, Stevenson, that his resignation be accepted, with regret, and that he be granted one month's leave of absence.

Moved by Doug. Beave Rove and carried, that application form re Coyote Control Policy be completed and forwarded to Field Crop Branch, Dept. of Agriculture, Edmonton.

Moved by Councilman, Stevenson and carried, that a by-law be passed authorizing the purchase of a used Caterpillar crawler tractor from Evans Construction Co., Saskatoon, in the sum of \$6,700.00.

By-law No. 158 was accordingly moved by Doug. Beave Rove and carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilman, Nelson and carried, that application of J. A. Johnston, of Delia, for a license to use a tractor, be approved, subject to agreement by owners with lands adjoining said road allowances.

Application of G. W. Robertson, Drumheller, for appointment as Field Supervisor and Weed Inspector was considered; and it was moved by Councilman, Stevenson and carried, that Mr. Robertson be appointed Field Supervisor and Weed Inspector as from July 1st, at an annual salary of \$2,700.00.

At 5:00 p.m. it was moved by Doug. Beave Rove and carried, that P. B. Reed be employed as maintenance operator at a rate of \$1.05 per hour; and it was moved by Doug. Beave Rove and carried, that P. B. Reed be employed as maintenance operator at a rate of \$1.05 per hour.

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# Census of Agriculture

Keep Farm Census Schedules Until Enumerator Calls In June, 1951

In common with the rest of the 730,000 farmers of Canada, the farmers of this district during the last two or three weeks have received the census of agriculture questionnaire that is being used in the 1951 Census of Canada. If there are any whom it has not reached, they may obtain a copy at their nearest post office.

The farm schedule was sent out by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in advance in order to enable farmers to prepare their answers to the questions at their convenience and thus save time when the census enumerator calls at some time in June. An accompanying letter asked the farmers to complete the schedule as early as they could and have it on hand in readiness for the visit by the enumerator. They were particularly urged to complete the schedule as early as possible in order to be ready for the visit by the enumerator.

In spite of this request, several thousand farmers from all parts of Canada have completed their schedules and sent them to the Bureau of Statistics.

In consequence, the Bureau has sent out a special request to all the weekly newspapers of Canada asking them to remind their farm readers that the schedule must be completed as early as possible in order to be ready for the visit by the enumerator.

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# CUCKOO CLOCK HOUSE



Bern Robinson and KERRY GRADY count young radio listeners through the make-believe house in Cuckoo Clock House, the children's series broadcast on Sunday afternoons at 2:30 on the CBC Dominion Network. They're going up with the show, having started six weeks ago when they were both at school. Avers from the microphone. Bern is a student at the University of Toronto and Kerry is a young business man.

# THE WORLD OF WHEAT

By H. K. Brading  
Director "The Crop Training Plan"

Purchases of Registered Seed

Purchasers of Registered seed by farmers this year have been less than in some previous years. This is caused by the smaller amounts of seed that farmers have in hand with which to sow, plus the estimated yield of the 1950 crop. The smaller amount of seed in turn has been caused first by the lower initial price for wheat, and secondly by the lower yield of the 1950 crop. The smaller amount of seed in turn has been caused first by the lower initial price for wheat, and secondly by the lower yield of the 1950 crop.

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# WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES

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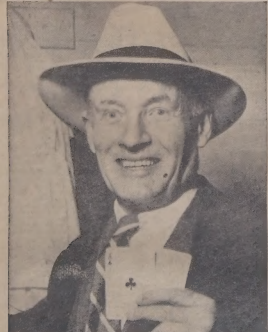
**MORE THAN LIFE IS AT STAKE** — Enthusiastic about their job aboard H.M.C.S. *Missouri* as she patrols the Korean coast are Able Seaman Albert Walker, Toronto, and Petty Officer Vincent Doring, Halifax. They are repairing the ice cream freezer aboard ship, and they'd prefer to face a North Korean attack than to face their own shipmates if the freezer was allowed to stop functioning.—Central Press Canadian.



**"SITTING PRETTY"** on nylon: this young lady tries out the new nylon car upholstery fabric used for the first time in Canada by a popular automobile company in its 1951 models. In addition to the toughness it is resistant to penetration and marks, it is easy to brush or sponge clean and dries quickly. Known as "Canadian", the nylon upholstery is woven in a wide selection of patterns. The makers claim it retains its new rich appearance through the hardest wear.



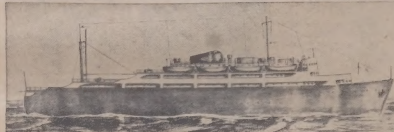
**COCOONERS ARRIVE AT THE CAPITAL**—Vivid signs that spring is here in Ottawa are the cocooners blooming on the lawn of Parliament Hill and the National Memorial. Ottawa's rival in the beauty of these fragile blooms, even while chilly winds continue to drive in from the Gaiety, and Young Art students join them to prepare their first spring-dress pictures.



**TWO ACES** — Conny Smythe, general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs, holds up two discs from a deck of cards thrown on the ice by one of the Canadian fans. In protest of a goal scored by the Toronto team, which was retrieved from the ice by Elmer Lach and triumphantly presented to the last reader. Toronto won the game 4-1 in overtime and finally won the series. 200



**WATER BRINGS MISERY, DEATH TO QUEBEC TOWNS** — Melting Laurentian mountain snows caused floods in many Quebec towns. St. Basile, Que. 200 homes were surrounded by water, had to be evacuated.—Central Press Canadian.



**NEW CAR FERRY**—Here is a sketch of the new car ferry being constructed for service between North Sydney and Port aux Basques. One of the largest, and the most modern of ocean ferries of its type, the ship is especially designed to meet the terms of a lease which provided that when Newfoundland had constructed a highway from Port aux Basques to Corner Brook, the Canadian Government would provide a steamship service across Cabot Strait for the carriage of motor vehicles, passengers and freight traffic. The new powerful belt-screw tow-broader, to be operated by the Canadian National Railways, will have a length of 320 feet, a rounded breadth of 48 feet, a load draught of 18 feet and a service speed of more than 15 knots. The passenger carrying capacity will be 300, of whom 20 will be accommodated in cabins. She will be able to load 75 automobiles, 8 trucks, 2 trailers, 50 head of cattle and 500 tons of cargo per trip.



**THIS BARGE**, loaded with 1,500 tons of coal, perches atop the Ford dam after breaking loose from its moorings near Minneapolis, Minn., recently and covering some five miles down the Mississippi river. The Ford bridge, one of several linking St. Paul and Minneapolis, is in the background. Police halted traffic on the spans but the ramming barge missed their piers. Barge line officials are now pondering how to save the craft and its valuable cargo.



**THE ROCKY ROAD TO LEARNING**—Homeless and in many cases orphaned by war, these young Korean refugees find some semblance of normal life in the resumption of studies near Taegu. A rocky fall takes the place of bombed classrooms as girls, youngsters, and boys, in background attend outdoor classes. Teacher is shown addressing the class.



**RITA'S RIVAL?** — Nancy Clark, Barthelemy, Montreal, Quebec, is currently being linked as the potential companion of Prince Aly Khan, in reports from Cannes, France. However, in regard to any marital difficulties, the prince's wife, actress Rita Hayworth, has reportedly returned to the U.S. for a visit with her two children and to discuss marital matters. Princess, has denied any rift between the prince and herself.—Central Press Canadian.



**GEN. H.V. FINCKH'S TOUR**—Supreme commander of the North Atlantic defense army, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower wound up his four-day tour of Western European defense troops and installations in Germany when he visited the vanguard of U.S. forces stationed in Augsburg. The general is shown questioning two machine-gunners as they demonstrate their training technique.—Central Press Canadian.



**HELICOPTER BECAME SIEVE IN RESCUE** — Minutes after being injured in the Korean fighting, a U.S. soldier is leg-lifted at the front door of an army hospital. The helicopter, itself riddled by enemy bullets, made the rescue on the battlefield and flew the injured man directly to the operating room.—Central Press Canadian.



**IT WAS A THREE-POINTED TOOTHPICK**—Gift from M. and Mme. Vincent Auloy to Mr. St. Laurent is this antique sewing box sent on the return of the French president and his wife to France. The box, an intricate work of art, contained many unknown sewing tools and one mysterious piece of ivory which, it developed makes Mrs. St. Laurent the only prime minister's wife on record who has a three-pointed ivory toothpick.



**MIGHTY MISSOURI RETURNS TO HOME PORT**—The mighty U.S. battleship *Missouri* plows through mountainous waves on her return from Korea, where she fired more than 2,000 rounds of 16-inch ammunition and over 8,000 rounds of five-inch ammunition. The return of the "Mighty Mo" is in keeping with the current U.S. policy of rotating ships and personnel from the war zone where possible.—Central Press Canadian.



**ALL BROTHERS, ALL IN THE ARMY** — The call to arms is felt strongly in the Galt family of Farnham, Que. Four brothers, all eligible for service, serve with the Royal 22nd Regiment at Fort Lewis, Wash., while a fifth brother is with the Reserve Force in Farnham. The "Van Doer" quartet are all officers and slated to leave shortly for Korea. Kenneth are Victor, 28, 1947, and Pascal, 21, standing are Philippe, 19, and Jean Paul, 21.—Central Press Canadian.







# "Wonder Tonic" For Race Horses Proved Dangerous Drug

LONDON.—The mysterious of the so-called "wonder tonic," reported to have been used last season to pep up race horses, have been solved by the jockey club, governing body of British racing. It had been claimed that the stimulant could be administered without detection through normal chemical tests.

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A leading expert on veterinary medicine, whose name was not disclosed by the authorities, had no hesitations in declaring the "wonder tonic" to be a potent drug.

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But he was vague. Searching literature showed it to contain caffeine, bromine, and other ingredients—mainly stimulants—such as strychnine, alcohol, and water.

## Canadian Fashion

Junior fashion—western style. Broomstick tops version of blouses, long-sleeved and a clipped windbreaker embroidered with cattle brands.

Brandon Star Publisher Hears Daily News-Public Association

TORONTO.—R. C. Whitbread, publisher of The Brandon Star, was elected president of the Canadian Daily News-Public Association at its annual meeting here last night.

Allen Holmes, editor of the Galt Post in Galt, Ont., was elected president, and Walter A. MacDonald, publisher of the Edmonton Journal, was elected second vice-president.

W. J. Butler, Toronto Globe and Mail, was elected treasurer, and J. B. MacDonald is general manager.

Many Immigrants Arriving In Canada

WINNIPEG.—More than 1,500 new Canadians arrived in Halifax recently and left on special trains for various destinations across Canada. Many of them were destined for Winnipeg.

The first ship to arrive, the S.S. "Albatross," brought 500 Italians from the Italian colony in Sicily.

Other immigrants included 1,000 from the United States, 500 from the United Kingdom, and 500 from the United States.

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Material supplied by the editor of Quick Canadian Quiz, the hand book of facts about Canada.

The average hockey season lasts 18 months of heavy play.

# THE FEAST BEFORE THE "FAMINE"

While he can still enjoy it, 67-year-old Joseph Spothisch is seen having a hearty meal with his 55-year-old, 38-pound husband, Ann Ebert, known as the "hottest woman of Berlin," before starting out to establish a starvation proof of 50 days without anything in the way of food.

Established 20 years ago, in a specially erected tent containing a glass "cave" with a couch, table, chairs and radio, a better, cheese and egg sandwiches in Berlin, Germany, Spothisch hopes to lose 65 of his 180 pounds during the second fast.

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# Poultry: House Litter Healthy And Sanitary

In this day and age of great emphasis on sanitation and cleanliness, it may seem a little ridiculous for city dwellers to suppose that considerable benefit can accrue from four or so of litter.

However, the suggestion is aimed towards poultry.

But T. M. McIlroy, of the Experimental Farm at Napier, N.S., a man who is responsible for the health of the subject, has advanced postmodern that a foot after the house-litter is not only sanitary but has a definite nutritional value for the birds as well.

For a long time sanitation was considered the essence of good poultry management. This unsound idea was changed by the discovery of the importance of the litter.

Frequent cleaning of all poultry houses, with removal of all floor litter at each cleaning, has caused considerable shortage of labour, particularly during the winter months.

Use of floor litter for a much longer time without removal, and, in turn, led to the discovery that birds do not mind the litter, and, in fact, they enjoy any advice offered, an observation contrary to previous teaching.

Therefore, the suggestion is now available to show that built-up litter is not only sanitary, but is a valuable source of food.

The litter material used is not too damp, but, four to six inches must be added to start with. Additional litter should be made from time to time as this becomes called for.

When the litter is about 12 inches deep, it should be turned over. This should always be left for continuous use.

The management of built-up litter is just a question of allowing it to accumulate. It need not be properly turned and controlled. The micro-organisms in the litter are used and must be given a chance to develop properly.

Chickens, when they are raised, avoid; hence, a good depth of litter must be provided. The litter is used and the litter must be turned frequently to mix the fresh droppings and the old.

And, as the litter is turned, the materials below, where chemical and bacterial activity is going on, are mixed, which creates healthy conditions. The biological activities in the litter are used and the litter must be turned frequently to mix the fresh droppings and the old.

Moisture and heat are both necessary, but sufficient moisture is generally supplied by the droppings and the heat generated by the birds. The biological activities in the litter are used and the litter must be turned frequently to mix the fresh droppings and the old.

It is pointed out that on time to tell the same as star time. But since the length of the sun-day varies, the time is more accurate and is used for precise calculations.

Mr. Thompson also told of astronomy in Canada, begun as early as 1860, when the government bought the first telescope. A small observatory was built in 1860 in Ottawa, and another was established in Victoria, in 1916.

He spoke of the equipment at the observatory here, and by means of slides described how astronomers determine the positions of the stars.

SMILE OF THE WEEK

THEY KNOW NOW

An elderly woman was taught bridge. One evening, while arranging the cards, she dropped one and, picking it up, observed: "No one ever said 'didn't' they?"

"Hush, dear," said her partner, "they didn't mention which card it was."

"It's all right, my dear; I don't say it was the king of diamonds."

GEMS OF THOUGHT

SIMPLICITY

In character, in manner, in style, in all things, the supreme attribute is simplicity—Longfellow.

The art of art, the glory of glory, the crown of crowns, the jewel of jewels, is simplicity—Walt Whitman.

When the heart speaks, however simple the words, its language is always acceptable to all hearts—Banks Eddy.

What is to be made simple and sincere is to be made simple and sincere—Longfellow.

Tests Show Little Pulverin In Flocks

REID.—Only 18 per cent of approved poultry flocks in Saskatchewan were found to contain the approved flocking agent, the poultry inspection department's report indicates.

This was reported in a bureau of microbiological release by J. F. Payne, poultry commissioner, who said that the poultry inspection department's flocking agent, the approved flocking agent, was found in only 18 per cent of the flocks.

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THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1951

### MORE WORK—A CURE FOR OUR INFLATION

Mr. Abbott, in a speech at Cranston, Quebec, last week, proposed a simple cure for inflation. All that is necessary, he said, is for Canadians to work an extra hour each day.

It sounds like a pat solution, but in fact it is an excellent one. The national defence effort is taking about ten per cent of our national production.

Most of the time, the choice of two choices; either the quantity of goods available for civilian use must be cut by ten per cent, or we must produce about ten per cent more goods than we have been producing up to now.

It is simple that it is astonishing that it is so widely forgotten or ignored.

It is being ignored, for example, by the labor movement, one of whose spokesmen, Mr. Millard of the United Steelworkers, was quick to denounce Mr. Abbott's proposal as a "retrograde step," thereby side stepping the real

import of what the Minister of Finance had said. But so long as it is ignored, we shall have inflation, and the increased earnings of the workers will be swallowed up in higher prices, while pensioners and others on fixed incomes will stay barely this side of starvation.

On this page on Tuesday, there appeared an editorial reprinted from the Winnipeg Free Press, pointing out that while the total quantity of goods produced in Canada has increased by 11 per cent per year compared with 1946, the total labor force has increased by 12 per cent. Thus, despite the millions of dollars invested by and labor saving modern plant and industry saving devices, the Canadian worker, on average, is producing rather less in a week's work than he produced in 1946. Under those terms, the Canadian economy is going backwards, not forward.

The reasons are not hard to seek. We have progressed from the 48 hour week to the 44 hour week and to the 40 hour week, and soon, no doubt, the cry will be out for the 37 1/2 hour week. In other words, all the expensive mechanical devices designed to increase output are not actually increasing output at all, but providing less and less work for the workers. The wages are being demanded and got more money; but since there are no more goods available for this additional money to buy, all that happens is that prices go up.

If Mr. Millard and the union leaders of this, the majority of Canadians, who can

—The Calgary Herald.

### TURNOVER TAX WOULD BE HEAVY BLOW TO FARMER

If the federal government goes ahead with that proposal to amend the Income Tax Act, it will be a heavy blow to the farmer.

As to allow the provinces to levy indirect taxes, hardest hit Canadians would be the farmer and the housewife.

The so-called Turnover Tax would be on everything sold at retail. Merchants say a three per cent hidden sales tax might mean that prices would rise four to six per cent.

Every farmer would suffer, but the farmer would be hit more than once.

First, a farmer is a business operator. But unlike most business operators, he must buy all his materials and equipment at retail. Implements, seed, stock, feed, etc., all at retail prices. These would boost his production costs.

Second, a Turnover Tax boosting prices of farm produce sold in retail stores would create buyer resistance and likely a consumer demand for reduction in returns to farmers.

Third, since farmers live long distances from manufacturing or processing centres, they would have to pay the Turnover Tax on both the original prices of goods and the transportation costs to the centres near which they live.

Fourth, if a farmer sold all of his produce direct to consumers, he would have to turn tax collector.

Fifth, while many city workers would receive part of the cost of living rise by reason of cost of living bonuses, the farmer would watch his production costs and cost of living rise, while his "wages" remained the same.

Sixth, in large centres kept retail competition would tend to keep price boosts created by the Turnover Tax at the lowest possible point, but in rural centres, where competition is lacking, merchants would, justifiably, try to recover A.I.A. tax. The farmer would be the goat again.

Most unfair tax proposals, the Turnover Tax is that it is paid on what is spent for consumer goods. It is not based on ability to pay.

—The Food News, Canada.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to try and express a little of the appreciation I feel for the cards, letters, etc., that I have received from my friends during my illness. Della Grier, of whom I have a large place in my heart.

Jennie Bradley, Chilliwack, B.C.

Say you saw it in The Delia Times

### Local and District

A. L. Gordon, of Chilliwack, B.C., who has been visiting here for the past ten days, left again for his home this week.

Mrs. F. W. Benson, who spent the winter months in Edmonton, returned to her home in Delia last week.

John Carter, from Calgary, arrived in Delia on Monday night, looking well and hearty for the spring farm work.

The William Hall family moved into the McAlpine house on 1st Avenue East at the beginning of last week.

S. A. Peterson, who now resides at White Rock, B.C., and who has been visiting with relatives here lately, returned to his home this week.

H. M. Half was having alterations made to the front of his blacksmith shop last week. Joe Cousine was in charge, assisted by H. Half, Jr., and William Dymtryk.

Don Macpherson, of Sentinel Hill, has been appointed Farm Manager at the Provincial Agricultural School, newly built at the farm. About a 20-acre plot of land lately to be broken land finally given good results, says J. L. Bolton of the Forest Crop Laboratory. If the whole land is eventually favorable to wild bees the size may be increased. Long, narrow blades are preferable to those of a large, more or less square, block since the least seed sowing usually is around the edges of a field.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fitzsimmons, and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Fitzsimmons, and family motored to Calgary on Sunday, meeting Mrs. Marie Fitzsimmons, of Edmonton, Miss Isabel Lyon, a relative from Toronto, and visiting with Mrs. Marie Fitzsimmons, at the General Hospital.

In response to the appeal for ex-officers to offer their services to the newly-forming army brigade, F. T. (Tom) Ward, of Calgary (en route to Mrs. W. B. Dunlop), has been appointed second-in-command of the Administrative Branch at Currie Barracks, Calgary. Mr. Ward, who was well known and respected in Delia, retired from the army at the end of World War I with the rank of major.

The hot days of last week end brought the melting clouds on Saturday afternoon and the first mosquito of the season put in an appearance. A light shower fell during the early hours of Sunday, but around 11 a.m. rain began to fall in earnest, continuing until about noon on Monday.

Although an inch of moisture was received and all farm operations came to a standstill. Bus service resumed last week and after several weeks of blocked roads, was again suspended due to the condition of the highway east of Brumfield.

### Seattle Precipitation Report

No. 3

Compiled from the records of 627 Government and British Rain Gauges. Rainfalls up to and including May 16, 1951.

An improvement in the total moisture condition of the three prairie provinces has taken place during the past week. The condition of the three prairie provinces, weighted for wheat storage, now stands at 94 per cent of normal, compared with 90 per cent last week and 72 per cent at this time a year ago.

Alberta now stands at 102 per cent of normal, compared with 88 per cent last week and 72 per cent at this time a year ago. Saskatchewan is now 89 per cent of normal, compared with 89 per cent last week and 72 per cent at this time a year ago.

The rain which has occurred during the past growing season from April 14 to date for Alberta, is 174 per cent of normal. For Saskatchewan, 100 per cent of normal. For Manitoba, 77 per cent of normal.

All Alberta crop districts show better than the past growing season. In Saskatchewan crop districts 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 show normal, or better than normal precipitation. In Manitoba crop districts 1, 14, and 15, show better than average precipitation.

17,500 acres of ground are grown in the Niagara Peninsula.

### Choice of Locations For Alfalfa Seed Production

Repetitious work at the Dominion Forage Crops Laboratory and the Dominion Entomological Laboratory at Brandon, shows that the best timing of alfalfa depends almost entirely on wild bees. Heavy bees have been found to be ineffective. The important wild bees are different kinds of last cutters and humble bees. These insects not only cause tripping but are responsible also for cross-pollination. It follows, therefore, that alfalfa fields must be located where wild bees are abundant if good seed yields are to be harvested.

Both humble bees and last-cutter bees require unbroken land for nesting sites. The last-cutter bees, nesting in holes in stumps or logs, or in the ground. Humble bees may inhabit old mouse nests or piles of dead corn or debris. Unlike the last-cutter, humble bees form a small colony somewhat like the honey bee but a much smaller number of bees per colony. Neither the last-cutter nor humble bees appears to fly great distances, and probably rarely feeds more than 4 to 5 miles from its nest.

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